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State disciplines health care providers

OLYMPIA — The Washington State Department of Health has taken disciplinary actions or withdrawn charges against health care providers in our state.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Office works with boards, commissions, and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 70 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency website. Click on "Provider Credential Search" on the left hand side of the [Department of Health home page](http://www.doh.wa.gov) (www.doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are also encouraged to call and report their complaint.

Adams County

In August 2011 the Dental Commission granted the application of dental assistant **Delia Dominguez** (D160200671) and placed her registration on probation. She was convicted of assault, and negligent driving. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her registration.

Chelan County

In August 2011 the Counselor Program granted the application of certified counselor **Jorge Ruiz Chacon** (CL60173043) and placed his certification on probation for one year. He provided domestic violence counseling without a valid credential and supplied documents to the court on a client without actually providing treatment. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his certification.

Cowlitz County

In August 2011 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program granted the application of chemical dependency professional **Steven M. Morrison** (CP60214192) and placed his license on probation for three years. He must comply with the terms and conditions that were set against his certification to practice as a chemical dependency professional trainee.

Grant County

In August 2011 the Board of Pharmacy placed the license of pharmacy technician **Whitnie A. Sneed** (VA00070102) on probation for three years. She diverted controlled substances from her place of employment for her own use and for sale through a third party. She pleaded guilty to theft, and possession of controlled substances. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her license.

King County

In July 2011 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program denied the application of chemical dependency professional trainee applicant **Raul Alfredo Gonzalez, Sr.** (CO60153591). He was convicted of child rape — domestic violence, and child molestation — domestic violence.

In July 2011 the Massage Program denied the application of **Miranda Rae Gutt** (MA60231001). She was charged with four counts of theft, and a bench/arrest warrant and order revoking release and forfeiting security was also issued against her.

In August 2011 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program granted the application of chemical dependency professional **James E. D. Lawrence** (CP60192110) and placed his license on probation. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his license to practice as a chemical dependency professional trainee.

In July 2011 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program denied the application of chemical dependency professional trainee applicant **Debra Jean McDermott** (CO60226809). She was convicted of taking a motor vehicle without permission on more than one occasion, theft on more than one occasion, possession of stolen property, forgery, controlled substance violation, and domestic violence protection order violation. Her application for a registered nursing assistant credential was denied in 2007.

In August 2011 the Nursing Assistant Program granted the application of certified nursing assistant **Joseph O. Otolu** (NC60212223) and placed conditions against his certification. He received a deferred prosecution for charges of driving under the influence, and operating a vehicle without ignition interlock. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his certification.

In August 2011 the Nursing Commission reinstated the license of registered nurse **Ora Pearl Smith-Gutter** (RN00079416).

Kitsap County

In August 2011 the Nursing Assistant Program placed the certification of certified nursing assistant **Kathy L. Null** (NC10089837) on probation for two years. She took a bamboo plant from a patient for her own personal use. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her certification.

In August 2011 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program placed the license of chemical dependency professional **Stephanie R. White** (CP60026487), also known as Stephanie R. McKendry, on probation. She tested positive for amphetamine and methamphetamine in a urinalysis.

Mason County

In July 2011 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program denied the application of chemical dependency professional trainee applicant **Grant M. Butler** (CO60214074). He was convicted of burglary, theft on more than one occasion, assault — domestic violence, driving while license suspended, unlawful possession of firearm, and possession of a controlled substance — methamphetamine.

Pierce County

In August 2011 the Nursing Assistant Program granted the application of certified nursing assistant **Mandy Melissa Barcom** (NC60223541) and placed conditions against her certification. She was convicted of driving under the influence on two occasions. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her certification.

In August 2011 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program ended the order of probation against chemical dependency professional trainee **Brandi Delynn Holmes** (CO60150312).

In July 2011 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program denied the application of chemical dependency professional trainee applicant **Marie A. Jesse** (CO60209003). She was convicted of attempted violation of the Uniform Controlled Substance Act — possession of methamphetamine, and assault — domestic violence.

In August 2011 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program released chemical dependency professional **Kimberly Sparks** (CP60097366) from terms and conditions set against her license.

Skagit County

In August 2011 the Health Care Assistant Program granted the application of **Joseph Thomas Pollino** (HC60229558) and placed conditions against his license. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his license to practice as an emergency medical technician.

In August 2011 the Nursing Commission charged licensed practical nurse **Steve T. Waller** (LP00047471) with unprofessional conduct. He allegedly entered into a sexual relationship with a patient and applied a non-prescribed lidocaine patch to her skin. He was convicted of unlawful delivery of a prescription drug.

Snohomish County

In August 2011 the Nursing Assistant Program terminated the order of probation against registered nursing assistant **Alana M. Dewees** (NA60132483).

In August 2011 the Nursing Commission placed the license of registered nurse **Colleen R. Martin** (RN00121674) on probation for two years. The Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) summarily suspended her license to operate an adult family home due to failure to provide adequate care to patients, failure to ensure staff were adequately trained and supervised, and giving false information and caregiver qualification documentation to DSHS during the investigation. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her license.

Spokane County

In August 2011 the Nursing Assistant Program released registered nursing assistant **Michelle DeAnne Atkinson** (NA60111426) from terms and conditions set against her registration.

In August 2011 the Nursing Assistant Program reinstated the certification and registration of nursing assistant **Delphine Datarr Speights** (NA00165867, NC60064066).

Whatcom County

In August 2011 the Chiropractic Commission reinstated the license of chiropractor **Nicolas J. Constantin** (CH00034646) and placed his license on probation for three years. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his license.

Out of State

Michigan: In August 2011 the Medical Commission reinstated the license of physician **Mark A. Mattos** (MD00040481) and placed his license on probation for one year. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his Washington license.

Note to Editors: Health care providers charged with unprofessional conduct have 20 days to respond to the Department of Health in writing. The case then enters the settlement process. If no disciplinary agreement can be reached, the case will go to a hearing.

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